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Application: 09/546,089

Appellant: David S. Wehrle et. al



## **Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences Docketing Notice**

Application 09/546,089 was received from the Technology Center at the Board on June 17, 2004 and has been assigned Appeal No: 2004-1813.

A review of the file indicates that the following documents have been filed by appellant:

Appeal Brief filed on:

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Ex parte DAVID S. WEHRLE, CARL R. SCHUMAKER,
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Application No. 09/546,089

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on April 15, 2004. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

On August 21, 2003, appellants filed a notice of appeal (Paper No. 11). A review of the file reveals that the fee was not charged for the notice of appeal. Before further review of this file, the above mentioned fee must be applied to the appellants' account.

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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that this application be returned to the examiner for: 1) entry of the notice of appeal fee; and 3) for such further action as may be appropriate.

It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the status of this appeal (i.e., abandonment, issue, reopening prosecution).

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